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Dear Sir

I have been sitting here thinking of the people who claim to be God fearing people and yet ~~they~~ fail to attend church services. If I could be there to talk with them the first thing I would say would be to ask them if they would take the bible and trample it in the mud? The answer would be, "of course not," or if I were to ask them if they would spit on the bible could they be classed as Christians?

and yet if these people
would stop and think
that by not attending
the worship of God that
they are doing worse
than any of those
things, it seems odd to
me that we can not
find time to worship
God one day out of 7.
or love him enough
to try to better ourselves
when he so loved the
world that he gave
his only begotten son
so that we might be
saved. and yet we
wonder why this
world is in such

a fix as it is now in
Is there any wonder
that there is so much
sin and so much heart
break when a person
loves the things of this
world more than they
do God?

Some people if they
were to read this letter
~~they~~ would no doubt say
Well of all things and from
him, the Greatest of all
sinners, yes I am called
that but I am trying
to point out some of
my mistakes in life
so that they may profit
by them and by what

better means could I have
than my letters to you.
I am only humbly
asking that they heed
the things that I am
saying so that they will
not stumble in the
same pit that I did.
If I can help some
lost person to find the
road once again then
this small effort will not
have been in vain.
There is not much that
I can do except to ask
them to listen to Gods
words and follow in his
foot steps and if all
the world would only

do that then there
would be no need for
prisons or officers of the
law. I know that if at
one time I had loved
God a lots more and
the world much less then
I would not be here
tonight. In closing may
I ask that you pray
not only for me but for
all people who are blind
and deaf to Gods calling
Yours truly
Alanz E. Jones.